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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

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1. ☐ **37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1) - U.S. Direct (use when filing IDS with nonprovisional patent application, or with Request for Continued Examination (RCE); or within 3 months of filing a nonprovisional patent application)**

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4. ☐ **37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) with fee payment - (use when filing IDS after receipt of first Office Action, and before receipt of Final Office Action, Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution)**

This information disclosure statement is being submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c). A final action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113, a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application (e.g., *Ex parte Quayle*) has not been received as of the date of this submission. I hereby elect to pay the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p). Please charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) to Deposit Account Number 16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company. A duplicate copy of this letter (or a fee transmittal form) is enclosed to facilitate the charging of the fee.

5. ☐ **Information to be Considered with Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) Filing (use when filing IDS with a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) for Design Case).** This information disclosure statement is being filed with a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d).

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☐ In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), copies of only foreign patent documents and non-patent literature are enclosed.

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☐ All of the cited references were previously cited by or submitted to the USPTO in prior application Case No. ____, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. __, filed __. Priority is claimed to said application under 35 U.S.C. §120. Accordingly, copies of previously submitted references are not provided with this Statement, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d). It is respectfully requested that all the cited documents be carefully considered by the Examiner and made of record in this case.

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☐ Cite Numbers __ are newly cited in this Information Disclosure Statement. Copies of the foreign and non-patent documents, if applicable, are enclosed. Copies of all other documents listed on this PTO-SB08 form were submitted and considered in parent application U.S. Patent Application Serial No. ____, filed _____. Priority is claimed to said application under 35 U.S.C. §120. Accordingly, copies of previously submitted references are not provided with this Statement, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d). It is respectfully requested that all the cited documents be carefully considered by the Examiner and made of record in this case.

☐ Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(c), a concise explanation of the relevance of each cited reference that is not in the English language is provided.

☐ It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider and make of record the co-pending applications listed on the attached page.

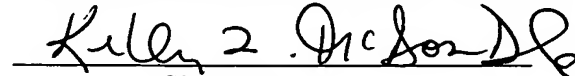
☐ The International Search Report from the PCT/EPO is noted on page ____ of the PTO-SB08 and a copy is attached.

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Respectfully submitted,

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